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Heaps Peak Transfer Station Resumes Regular Operations

Officials with the County Solid Waste Management Division (SWMD) have announced that the Heaps Peak Transfer Station at 29898 Highway 18 in Running Springs has resumed its regular operations. Site hours are Monday through Saturday, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

The site accepts regular non-hazardous wastes from mountain residents and businesses. The site is not currently accepting burned materials. Heaps Peak will accept unburned wood waste including pine needles, slash, chips, and logs up to 4 feet in length.

The County of San Bernardino is currently in the process of developing a comprehensive debris removal program. Once approved by the County Board of Supervisors, the County will provide detailed information on the program. Property owners who choose not to wait for the program to be activated should be aware of the following information:

All fire debris must be cleared of hazardous materials through approved inspection before the debris can be accepted at a designated fire debris disposal site. If the debris is from a structure built prior to 1984, the debris will have to be inspected by a Certified Asbestos Inspector to determine if asbestos is present. If asbestos is found, the asbestos will have to be removed by a Certified Asbestos Contractor before the remainder of the debris can be removed. Please be aware that ash created by the burning of buildings may contain asbestos or other harmful materials and can be toxic. Caution should be exercised when handling any fire debris. Fire damaged material/debris will not be accepted at the designated fire debris disposal site without written clearance from the Solid Waste Management Division indicating the debris has been inspected and cleared for hazardous substances and asbestos. Owners of properties with structures built prior to 1984 will have to provide written verification from a Certified Asbestos Inspector/Contractor that the material is free of asbestos in addition to the hazmat clearance. Following review and approval, fire debris can be taken to the Mid-Valley Landfill, 2390 Alder (just north of the 210 Fwy.) in Rialto. Because this material is not regular household type waste, it will not be covered under any disposal use permit and regular tipping fees will apply. For site directions and fee information, call 1-800-722-8004 or go to: www.sbcounty.gov/wsd.

Heaps Peak will be closed on Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day and New Years Day.

For more information, call 909-386-8701.

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